

Avilla Park Board Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2023

- Called to order @ 6:30pm
- Approval of previous meeting minutes: Ann Freeman- approved as read

Old Business

- Summer Bash
 - House Brisket (food truck)- 9am to 1pm
 - Katie to reach out to Seth Tipton
 - NCPL: Slip n' Slide, water games 11am to 1pm
 - Squirt gun/water wars
 - Sensory play for littles
 - East of gazebo
 - Connect Four, Tennis, Pickle Ball
 - Ruth and hoping to have 1 more (Rylan)
 - AFD: Water wall to be set up
 - Valves
 - Restore Avilla & Parks: Face Painting
 - Lisa to inquire Kona Ice, Brown House, Rusty's Ice Cream
 - Restore—cotton candy
 - Event Flyer- ask Dawn then NCPL
 - Distribute at Freedom Festival
 - Posting new park designs for community to peruse
- Raising Rent on the Community Center
 - Currently \$50 deposit; \$75 rental; return \$50 if don't trash the space
 - Board voted and approved to rental rate \$100; keep \$50 deposit (return if cleaned)
 - Need to update rental document
 - Effective July 6th with exception for anyone who has already completed rental contracts.
- Gazebo Reservation- create system with Town Hall
- Repairs at the Park-
 - Upper Concessions Stand- water in bathroom sink not working
 - Water to lower concessions stand- effecting bathrooms
 - In need of handy man
 - Roger going on vacation June 17th to 24th
 - Need someone to come mow if Ren is not available

- Town Hall has list of folks who can mow PRN
 - Chad Geiger- willing to mow if shown how to use the mower
 - Clark Wakeman- has offered to donate 2 foaming soap dispensers and 1 gallon of soap
 - Deep cleaning of Community Center- ask who cleans the Town Hall
 - Lisa to ask Rita
- Tree Removal- has come to see the project and will send estimate & haul off wood
- Mulch- trails
 - Katie Schaller to help get cost estimate

New Business

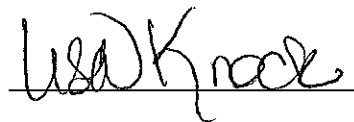
Open Discussion:

- Dog Park usage-
 - Ideas to add more enrichment items
 - Organize a “dog party”
- Sycamore Way lot needs mowed
 - Still Town’s property to maintain
- JPR Planning Meeting- June 27th at 6pm
- Schaller Greenhouse donating profit of planters sold over the weekend
- Avilla Fire Dept donated \$1,000 to Freedom Festival

Our next Avilla Park Board meeting is Thursday, July 6th, 2023 at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.

Signatures of Approval:



President, Lisa Krock



Vice President, Ann Freeman

Board Member, Nate Hicks



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MEETING MINUTES

Land Surveying • Civil Engineering • Planning • Architecture • Project Funding • GIS • Environmental • Renewable Energy • Landscape Architecture

PROJECT NAME:	Eley Memorial Park Master Plan	PROJECT NO.:	2023-0114
MEETING DATE:	Tuesday, June 27 th , 2023	ISSUE DATE:	Wednesday, July 5 th , 2023
LOCATION:	Avilla Community Center		
ATTENDEES:	Ann Freeman (Town of Avilla), Lisa Crock (Town of Avilla), Julie McBride (Freedom Festival), Nathan Deig (JPR), Sydney King (JPR), and other members of the public audience		

Discussion Items:

1. LWCF Updates
 - a. JPR noted that the DNR is updating their scoring matrix for the LWCF funding opportunities and those new standards are anticipated to be released in mid-November

2. Overall Project Comments
 - a. Baseball Diamond #2 is currently sized for girls' softball – should the design maintain this sizing or match diamonds #1 and #3?
 - b. There is an existing, undersized drywell near the southwest corner of the tennis courts. Within preliminary budgeting, JPR will provide a stormwater allowance to hopefully help rectify drainage in the lower area below the playgrounds. Upon completion of survey, further options could be pursued if this is not the ultimate low point of adjacent stormwater infrastructure.
 - c. Additional restrooms would be beneficial, especially for the additional programming on the new parcel.
 - d. There are concerns with the splash pad proximity to the roadway and would like the inclusion of a seat wall or railing.
 - e. The fireworks for the festival are launched from the northern ball diamond; JPR to design elements outside of the firework range.
 - f. The horseshoe players will park as close to the play area as possible. JPR to shift parking closer to the pits.
 - g. The southern concessions building does have electric running to it and water nearby, so it could potentially be expanded to provide more restrooms.
 - h. The ideal location for the stage is in the southwest corner of the new parcel, just north of the proposed entry drive. This would allow for the best flow of programming when several events are happening simultaneously and keep the stage away from the playground where kids play.
 - i. The two sheds near the batting cages are accessed with a gate.
 - j. The existing bleachers are in good condition and can be reused for the master plan.
 - k. It would be beneficial to install provisions for future cameras with the proposed lighting.
 - l. Provide adequate buffer between the neighboring houses and the new park improvements.
 - m. Avilla would like to provide future space for a potential community garden.
 - n. With the eventual development of the housing addition to the west, the extended sidewalk along Albion Street can wait until the housing construction is underway.
 - o. Proceed with the demolition of the Lion's Club pavilion and the associated grills in favor of a new pavilion.
 - p. Park hours are dawn to dusk. Improvements should include lighting (maybe even solar lighting).
 - q. Preliminary budgets should include an allowance for bringing overhead lines underground.
 - r. The design should upgrade the batting cages.